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SUBJECT: MAURITANIA AIRLIFT

ROME FOR FODAG

REFS: (A) NOUAKCHOTT 1102 (NOTAL) (B) BAMAKO 2606

1. DESPITE PRECEDENT NOTED REFTEL A, AID/W DOES NOT REPEAT

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NOT CONCUR IN BEARING MALI SUPPORT COSTS FOR MAURITANIA

AIRLIFT REQUIREMENT. WHILE, AS INDICATED REFTEL B, USG MAY BE IN POSITION HAVING TO GUARANTEE AIRCREW SUPPORT COSTS IN ANY CASE, WE STILL BELIEVE CALLING FOR LIMITED PARTICIPATION BY GIRM BY WAY OF BEARING SUPPORT COSTS IS NOT UNREASONABLE BURDEN OF HOST COUNTRY AND SHOULD BE PURSUED. IN ALL OTHER AIRLIFT OPERATIONS, HOST COUNTRIES BEAR THESE COSTS AS MATTER OF COURSE AND IS MEANS OF HELPING INSURE INVOLVEMENT. ACTION REQUESTED: AMEMBASSY NOUAKCHOTT FORMALLY INDICATE TO GIRM THAT IT IS USG POSITION THAT AIRCREW SUPPORT AND RELATED LIFT OPERATIONAL COSTS IN MALI (LESS ANY WAIVED LANDING FEES AND FUEL TAXES AT BAMAKO) FOR PURPOSE OF MEETING MAURITANIA AIRLIFT NEEDS SHOULD BE BORNE BY GIRM AS REASONABLE HOST COUNTRY RESPONSIBILITY AND THAT GIRM SHOULD PROCEED TO ESTABLISH SPECIFIC ARRANGEMENTS WITH GOM FOR PURPOSE OF PAYMENT.

2. FOR BAMAKO: APPRECIATE EMBASSY EFFORTS IN SUPPORT

MAURITANIA REQUIREMENTS. IF ADDITIONAL INTERVENTION WITH GOM/DOUKARA WILL FACILITATE GIRM REPAYMENT SUPPORT COSTS, BELIEVE THIS SHOULD BE PURSUED. ADVISE NOUAKCHOTT, COPY AID/W. PER PARA 2, REFTEL B, AID/W CONSIDERING RE-DIRECTING ABIDJAN CARGO FROM GAO TO EITHER BAMAKO OR SEGOU. IT APPEARS UNLIKELY HOWEVER THAT ACTION WILL BE TIMELY ENOUGH TO PERMIT REPLACEMENT BAMAKO IN LESS THAN 20-25 DAYS. IF ACTION INDICATED PARA 2 HAS BEGUN, WOULD APPRECIATE IMMEDIATE ADVISAL. IF CONFIRMED, AND AGREEABLE BAMAKO, WOULD APPEAR MOST APPROPRIATE TO DIRECT SHIPMENT TO SEGOU VICE BAMAKO. ADVISE.

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